

Photo courtesy of the Marshall County Historical Society

Peter Nelson's livery stable in Blue Rapids in 1906. From left, Robert Theo., age 14, standing by the hitched team, Ace Nelson, Charles Henry Nelson, father Peter Nelson, Nels Newman (helper), Sylvia Sue and Albert George in buggy.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ADVOCATE

Yesterday

Nov. 11, 1926

The eighth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice on Nov. 11, 1918, which put an end to the hostilities in the World War, will be commemorated in Marysville today with a parade, mass meeting and a suspension of business for six hours. . .Union Pacific Railroad plans to double-track a portion of track from Hastings, Neb., through Marysville to Topeka. The line will be ballasted with Sherman Hill gravel, the ballasting material used on the system's first main lines. Completion of this double track will give the railroad a continuous double track from Kansas City to Echo, Utah, with the exception of a 28-mile stretch between Hastings and Gibbon, Neb.…A sum of $18,300, offered by Mayor L.N. Cole, was the highest bid presented at the public sale of the Hohn building at the northwest corner of Eighth and Broadway. . .

Nov. 8, 1951

Blue Valley Dapper Dan, a rabbit owned by C.N. Richards, Marysville, was judged the top Fawn Flemish Giant and the "best of breed" at the American Rabbit and Cavy Breeders' Association show in Springfield, Ill. About 3,200 rabbits and 300 cavies were entered. . .The inaugural meeting of the Marshall County Agricultural Extension Council will be Nov. 16. . .The 1952 Dodge goes on display Saturday at Baker Motor Company here. . .A varied program ranging from Bach to Richard Rodgers will be presented here Sunday afternoon when the Longines Symphonette makes its initial appearance at the Marysville High School Auditorium. . .

Nov. 11, 1976

A 50x60-foot steel and frame building under construction at Marysville Ready Mix Inc., 2 miles east of Marysville, will house new offices for Hall Bros. Construction Co. Inc. Future plans call for building a new shop at the east U.S. Highway 36 location and moving the company's entire operation to that site. . .When visitors enter the Carriage House Apartments at 110 S. Eighth, they will will see a newly remodeled, landscaped structure that formerly was the Elms Hotel. The building has 17 apartments on three levels. . .Community use of school buses and school property may become more limited as a result of action taken and being considered by the Marysville USD 364 Board of Education. . .

Nov. 8, 2001

Marysville High School graduate Kendra Wecker, a freshman, and Centralia High graduate Kristin Rethman, a senior, are listed in the starting lineup for Kansas State University women's basketball exhibition game Wednesday with the University of Houston. . .Ryan Gleue, a freshman at Kansas State University, Salina, flew to Marysville Monday on his first solo flight. The MHS grad's goal is to be a commercial pilot. . .Ann Walter, Waterville, was one of 10 Kansans to receive WeKan! Awards at the 2001 Kansas Sampler Festival in Ottawa. . .Wilbur Paige was honored for his work as Blue Rapids weather observer for 42 years. . .

Nov. 10, 2011

More than 100 people concerned about possible closure of the Bremen post office attended a meeting with post office officials. . .Don Landoll, Marysville, was named to the Association of Equipment Manufacturers Hall of Fame Saturday in Miami. The Hall of Fame honors pioneering individuals who invented, managed, built and led the off-road equipment industry. . .Marshall County residents felt tremors Saturday night from a 5.6-magnitude earthquake that originated about five miles northwest of Prague, Okla. . .

Nov. 10, 2016

Marshall County Habitat for Humanity teamed up with Julie Weeks this year to move a home and garage to a new site in Blue Rapids. . . More than 200 people attended the Me and My Doll Fashion Show in Frankfort, a benefit for the Frankfort Development Corporation. . .Construction started last week on a new fellowship hall and link to Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Marysville. The project includes a large meeting room/dining room, a large kitchen and smaller meeting rooms.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Marysville, KS
Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

The City of Marysville, KS is seeking qualified consulting firms for pre-construction engineering and project management in the category equivalent to the Kansas Department of Transportation's (KDOT) Work Category: Work Category: 441 – Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Design and Work Category: 241 – Construction Inspection and Testing for the project listed below. Interested consulting firms must be pre-qualified by KDOT in category 411-Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Design, and familiar with the project area.

Description

Transportation Alternatives Program project TE-0613-01 and CDBG Project 26-PF-004 which is a multimodal corridor construction project on north 7th Street in Marysville, commonly known as the Blue Rive Rail Trail Corridor Project.

Schedule and Deadlines

Technical proposals are due on or before **5:00 pm on December 14, 2026** , and should be delivered via email to City Administrator Joshua Haverkamp at cityadm@bluevalley.net. Interested consulting firms must be pre-qualified by KDOT in the work categories noted above.

Anticipated Schedule for Subsequent Events:

Evaluation and ranking of technical proposals shall take place on or about 7:00 pm on December 28, 2026, after which all firms that submitted letters of interest will be notified of the ranking. Negotiations with the highest ranked firm to commence on or about December 29, 2026. Notice to Proceed to be issued January 11, 2027. KDOT Three-Party agreement in place and in effect February 15, 2027.

Request for Proposal (Technical)

The City of Marysville, Kansas, is seeking a qualified consultant to provide design and related engineering services for the Blue River Rail Trail Corridor and associated street and community facility improvements. The project will use KDOT Transportation Alternatives (TA) and CDBG Community Facilities funding. Grants have been awarded by both agencies.

The work is located within existing City rights-of-way and easements along the 7th Street corridor, generally between Broadway Street and Calhoun Street, within Marysville city limits. A key component is approximately 1,200 linear feet of multimodal improvements within a roughly 70-foot-wide former railroad corridor connecting Pony Park, Historic Downtown Marysville, the renovated Union Pacific Depot, nearby neighborhoods and schools, and the existing Blue River Rail Trail.

The corridor design includes a 1,200-foot long, 10-foot-wide shared-use path; ADA-compliant sidewalks, ramps, and connections; and protected bicycle facilities within a landscaped median. Between US-36/Center Street and Carolina Street, the roadway will include one northbound and one southbound travel lane separated by the median. North of Carolina Street to Calhoun Street, the roadway will transition to a single southbound lane to support a lower-speed multimodal environment. Safety features include high-visibility crosswalks, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs), pedestrian refuge areas, curb extensions, traffic-calming measures, lighting, signage, and wayfinding.

Associated street and site improvements include approximately 3,200 linear feet of concrete curb and gutter; 7,100 square yards of concrete street pavement; 8,100 square yards of aggregate base; 1,700 square yards of brick pavers; and 100 square yards of sidewalk ramps. Additional improvements include storm drainage, grading and earthwork, electrical and lighting systems, public restrooms, a playground feature with fencing, a bocce court, an entry pavilion, shade structures, landscaping and restoration, pavement markings, utility connections, temporary erosion control, traffic control, signage, site furnishings, and related appurtenances.

Evaluation Factors

Technical proposals will be evaluated based on the factors listed below to rank the most qualified firm in order of preference as first, second, third, etc. If determined necessary by the City of Marysville, a Preliminary Review Committee will be formed to reduce the number of firms evaluated to no fewer than three (3) and no more than five (5). Reasons for exclusion from evaluation will be size and/or qualifications; experience of personnel available for project; current uncompleted work or distribution of work; performance; no response from firm; or other reason. Firms excluded from short list will be notified as to reason for exclusion.

Factors for evaluation and weight: The highest ranked firm will be asked to enter into negotiations with the City of Marysville for an agreement. In the event the City of Marysville cannot reach agreement with the ranked firm, it will terminate negotiations with the said firm and commence negotiations with the next highest ranked firm, and so on, until an agreement is reached for a satisfactory scope of services for a fair and reasonable number of hours, or the City of Marysville decides to pursue other alternatives.

Contract Terms and Conditions

This is a KDOT project using KDOT funding. A standard three (3) phase, three (3) party agreement will be utilized with special attachments for the Kansas "Tax Clearance Certificate", the "Certification of Final Indirect Costs", and the "Policy Regarding Sexual Harassment". To satisfy CDBG requirements, the selected consultant must have an active registration with sam.gov and abide with CDBG professional services contract clauses and conditions.

Instructions for Technical Proposal

Note: No costs shall be contained in the technical proposal.

The main text of consultant's technical proposal must not exceed 25 pages (including cover sheets, indexes, etc.) to address the topics listed. Describe processes and procedures proposed by consultant to meet the project completion deadline listed above. Describe processes and procedures, included best practices, that will be used to perform the tasks and produce the deliverables described above under "Request for Proposal (Technical)". Include in the technical proposal items such as:

- Project manager/engineer in charge
- History of project with similar tasks
- Availability of staff to meet schedule without overtime
- Cost-effective or cost-reduction practices, processes or procedures used by consultant, if any;

Any sub-consultant and their role (if any) that will be performing services on the project. All sub-consultants must complete Special Attachment No. 9 ("Certificate of Final Indirect Costs"), and the Special Attachment No. 10 ("Tax Clearance Certificate").

Questions about this request for qualifications shall be sent to Grant Administrator Brett Waggoner at brett@govassistsvcs.com

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ANNUAL MEETING

Annual Stockholders Meeting of Marshall County Fair Assn. November 18th, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. at the 4-H Achievement Building in Blue Rapids, Ks.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARSHALL COUNTY, KANSAS
(Filed Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

In the Matter of the Estate of
ALBERT H. NORDHUS, Deceased

Case No. MS-2026-PR-000044

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Velma L. Nordhus, heir of Albert H. Nordhus, deceased, praying that descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Marshall County, Kansas:

The West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W½SW¼) of Section Two (2); and the South Half of the Northeast Quarter (S½NE¼) of Section Three (3); and the North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N½NW¼) of Section Eleven (11); all in Township Five (5) South, Range Ten (10) East of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Marshall County, Kansas.

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death, and that such property be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 4th day of December 2026, at 9:45 a.m., of said day in the District Court of Marshall County, at Marysville, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Velma L. Nordhus, Petitioner

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TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

MARSHALL COUNTY
Marysville, Kansas

Total Cash in the Treasury as of 10/30/2026	$ 14,889,245.30
County General	$ 1,162,825.01
Payroll Clearing	$ 11,204.55
Em Mgtm Grant Fund	$ 48,051.71
Em Mgtm Capitol Outlay	$ 42,517.18
MTG Registration (Heritage Trust)	$ 430.00
Register of Deeds Records	$ 23,358.01
Sheriff's Capital Outlay	$ 84,972.71
Clerk's Technology Fund	$ 33,265.81
Opioid Settlement	$ 24,242.35
ARPA	$ -
LATCF	$ 34,125.57
Return Items	$ (320.96)
Treasurer's Technology Fund	$ 33,682.45
Road & Bridge	$ 1,207,619.27
Special Road & Bridge	$ 910,327.80
Strategic Planning	$ 2,064.36
Road & Bridge Sales Tax	$ 133.42
Risk Management	$ 130,226.48
Safe Kids Grant	$ 393.17
Health Dept Building Fund	$ 214,275.87
WIC	$ 20,057.65
Health Nurse	$ 984,968.86
Ebola	$ -
COVID19	$ -
State Formula	$ 4,384.79
Maternal Child	$ (2,752.18)
Health Nurse Capitol Outlay	$ 48,904.63
Immunizations	$ (453.00)
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	$ 9,253.49
Health Survey	$ 91,910.83
KDHE ELC Grant	$ 764.97
Aging Agency	$ 100,115.97
Aging Payroll	$ -
Aging Agency Special Fund	$ 44,007.92
Aging KDOT	$ 588,788.68
KDOT Elsie Borck Fund	$ 35,149.82
Bertha Shum KDOT Fund	$ 84,557.13
Ambulance	$ 134,251.82
Community College Out Dist	$ 0.01
Bond & Interest	$ 348,879.99
Capital Improvement	$ 5,377,651.68
Appraiser	$ 43,264.93
Appraiser Capitol Outlay	$ 9,531.92
Noxious Weed	$ 15,707.25
Household Hazardous Waste	$ 19,328.32
Election	$ 739.45
Election Equipment Reserve	$ 58,620.67
Special Parks & Recreation	$ 26,863.96
Special Alcohol	$ 40,853.96
Landfill	$ 453,722.28
Noxious Weed Outlay	$ 64,520.91
Title III C	$ 259,408.97
US Land Management	$ -
Special Machinery	$ 102,437.26
Tourist Promotion & Bed Tax	$ 7,770.49
Employee Benefit	$ 930,999.39
Kansas Drivers License	$ -
Vehicle Registrations	$ 0.00
Vehicle Sales Tax	$ -
Motor Vehicle Operating Fund	$ 98,957.39
Motor Vehicle Equipment	$ 32,000.00
Covid 19 IAP Supp 4	$ -
Covid 19 IAP Supp 3	$ -
Workforce Development	$ (1,511.27)
Universal Home Vis Exp	$ (2,219.56)
Antique Tag Fee	$ 5,265.00
KCOVRS	$ 5,102.27
Game License	$ (0.00)
State Filing Fee	$ -
Cereal Malt Beverage Stamp	$ -
Conceal Carry	$ 5,429.50
Offender Registration	$ 16,552.64
Stray Animal Fund	$ 3,773.44
Special Law Enforcement	$ -
Registered Offender Tech Fee	$ 180.00
Hospital Sales Tax	$ 97,559.51
PATF	$ 4,089.37
Special County Attorney Fund	$ 16,438.84
Overpayment	$ 133.25
North Central Kansas Library	$ (0.00)
North Central Kansas Library Retirement	$ 0.00
State KEBE Fund	$ 0.00
State SIBE Fund	$ 0.00
School General	$ (0.00)
USD 364	$ (0.00)
USD 380	$ (0.00)
USD 488	$ 0.00
USD 498	$ (0.00)
USD 223	$ 0.00
USD 322	$ -
USD 384	$ 0.00
USD 451	$ 0.00
Townships	$ (0.00)
Cities	$ 0.00
Fire Districts	$ 0.00
Watershed Districts	$ 21.03
Cemetery Districts	$ 11.99
Current Advalorem Tax	$ (26.64)
Neighborhood Revitalization	$ (0.00)
911 Special	$ 30,019.19
911 Local	$ 199,709.46
Vehicle Excise Tax	$ -
Vehicle Tax	$ 196,433.96
RV Tax	$ 3,309.03
Advance Advalorem Tax	$ -
In Lieu Of Tax	$ -
Bankruptcy Tax	$ -
Redemption Tax	$ 16,715.71
Part Pay	$ -
Delinquent Personal Property Tax	$ 782.72
Tax Foreclosure	$ -
Current Tax Escrow	$ 83,470.79
County Highway	$ -
County Equilization	$ -
Home Sewer	$ 151,700.21
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	$ 14,889,245.30

State of Kansas, Marshall County
I do Solemnly Swear that the above statement is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me GOD.

Angela Price, Marshall County Treasurer, Marysville, KS

Sandra K Wilson, Marshall County Clerk, Marysville, KS

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Kansas Silver-Haired Legislature

The Kansas Silver Haired Legislature overwhelmingly approved five resolutions that set its priorities for the 2027 legislative session. Sixty-five delegates took part in the two-day session on the floor of the Kansas House of Representatives. On the first day, each resolution went through committee hearings that included testimony from professionals who work on these issues every day. Committees amended the resolutions after testimony and debate, and the full body then debated each one before Thursday's final vote.

"Delegates representing every part of Kansas overwhelmingly approved these resolutions," said KSHL Speaker Leroy Burton. "That tells legislators something. Seniors from rural towns and big cities alike agree on what they need to stay healthy, independent and involved in their communities."

The five resolutions:

Resolution 4400, Senior Transportation: Urges the Legislature to continue supporting and to increase funding for collaborative, community-based transportation for seniors, including micro-transit in rural, remote and metropolitan areas. It supports local control of these systems and asks the Kansas Department of Transportation to study transportation needs and work with local governments, Area Agencies on Aging, the KSHL and other organizations on projects that meet them.

Resolution 4401, In-Home Care: Urges the Legislature to increase funding for the Senior Care Act and the Home and Community-Based Services Frail/Elderly Waiver so Kansans can continue to receive vital in-home support.

Resolution 4402, Medicaid: Urges the Legislature to support Medicaid expansion in Kansas and to strengthen KanCare by increasing provider reimbursement rates.

Resolution 4403, Personal Needs Allowance and Medicaid Application Help: Urges the Legislature to raise the personal needs allowance for residents of Medicaid-approved nursing facilities to $72.74, matching the national average, with an annual review for a cost-of-living adjustment. The allowance is the monthly amount residents keep for personal expenses. The resolution also calls for more help for seniors applying for Medicaid, including funding and designating the Kansas Area Agencies on Aging to provide that assistance.

Resolution 4404, Voting Rights: Opposes any effort by the Legislature or county election officials that would restrict or prevent Kansas seniors from voting. It urges the Legislature to support the voting rights of seniors and all other voters by ensuring access to the polls, early voting and mail-in ballots.

What happens next: Copies of the resolutions will go to all of the Silver-Haired Legislature's planning and service areas, legislators, senior centers and other senior organizations across Kansas. After the Nov. 3 election, the Silver-Haired Legislature will contact newly elected legislators, share the resolutions and schedule meetings with new committee chairs and committees. In early January, delegates will return to Topeka to visit every legislative office to deliver and discuss the resolutions. Testimony will begin once the new Legislature is sworn in.